

MS After Final  
PATENT  
2503-1193

**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Valentino MERCATI

Conf. 7193

Application No. 10/564,100

Group 1791

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Examiner Michael Felton

PROCESS FOR OBTAINING TOBACCO LEAVES WITH A STANDARDIZED  
NICOTINE CONTENT AND/OR IMPROVED COMBUSTIBILITY

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 19, 2010

Sir:

Responsive to the final Official Action of April 26, 2010, the period for response having been extended by three months, a Notice of Appeal being concurrently filed, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.